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## EDUCATION

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**Iran University of Science and Technology (IUST)**

*B.Sc. in Computer Engineering with a concentration on AI*

Ranked 4<sup>th</sup> among Iran Universities based on [QS Ranking](#)

• GPA (Last two years via 60 credits): **3.8/4 (18.15/20)**

**Bachelor's Thesis:** A Persian Dataset for Personality Detection on Twitter

**Supervisor:** [Dr. Sauleh Eetemadi](#)

**Tehran, Iran**

*Sep 2016 - Jun 2021*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Deep Learning/ Machine Learning
- Computer Vision/ Image Processing
- Natural Language Processing
- Bioinformatics
- Computational Social Science
- Software Engineering

## PUBLICATION

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1. M. M. Abdollahpour\*, Z. Anvarian\*, S. Fatehi, and S. Eetemadi, "ParsTSet: A Persian Dataset for Personality Prediction on Twitter," in *The Fourth Annual West Coast NLP (WeCNLP) Summit*, 2021
2. S. Fatehi, Z. Anvarian, Y. Madani, M. J. Mahditabar, and S. Eetemadi, "MBTI personality prediction approach on persian twitter," in *The Sixth Widening Natural Language Processing Workshop (WiNLP)*, 2022  
Submitted

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Natural Language Processing Researcher at NLP Lab**

*Supervisor: [Dr. Sauleh Eetemadi](#)*

**IUST, Tehran, Iran**

*Sep 2020 - Jun 2021*

- Studied the literature of datasets and models designed for psychological traits prediction.
- Constructed a novel dataset based on MBTI model of personality traits for Persian language.
- Implemented multiple NN models to predict users' personality traits using their tweets.
- Experienced coding NLP models using fastText, doc2Vec, BERT, CNN, LSTM, etc.

**Computer Vision Researcher at MAS Lab**

*Supervisor: [Dr. Nasser Mozayani](#)*

**IUST, Tehran, Iran**

*May 2019 - Sep 2020*

- Took computer vision Coursera course for learning more about CV applications.
- Implemented a Neural Style Transfer using VGG-19, which is a pre-trained model, to inject the style to the input image.
- Designed a car detection model using YOLO algorithm to recognize cars in images with the bounding boxes.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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My responsibilities as a Teacher Assistant included: teaching sessions of classes; holding problem-solving sessions; designing projects, assignments, quizzes, and midterm/ final exams; grading and

providing feedback.

- **Natural Language Processing** (Instructor: Dr. Behroz Minaei) Feb 2022 - Present
- **Computational Intelligence** (Instructor: Dr. Nasser Mozayani) Feb 2021 - Jun 2021
- **Deep Learning** (Instructor: Dr. Mohammad Reza Mohammadi) Feb 2021 - Jun 2021
- **Microprocessor and assembly** (Instructor: Dr. Amir Mahdi Hosseini) Sep 2020 - Jan 2021
- **Embedded System and IoT** (Instructor: Dr. Amir Mahdi Hosseini Monazzah) Sep 2020 - Jan 2021
- **Software Engineering** (Instructor: Dr. Mehrdad Ashtiani) May 2019 - Aug 2020
- **Database Design** (Instructor: Dr. Eisa Zarepour) Feb 2018 - Jun 2018
- **Computer Systems Analysis and Design** (Instructor: Dr. Mehrdad Ashtiani) Feb 2018 - Jun 2018

## INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

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### Artificial Intelligence developer at Dadmatech Company Aug 2021 - Present

- Researched in personality detection models by studying related papers.
- Implemented NLP models using fastText, doc2Vec, Transformers, CNN, etc.
- Developed NN models using Tensorflow for predicting personality traits via individual's texts.

### Front-end developer at Edgecom Energy Company Jul 2019 - Dec 2019

- Worked as a Front-end developer remotely because of the company's location that is in Canada, Ontario.
- Gained work experience out of the university's environment and got familiar more with programming tools.
- Designed and implemented webpages by HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and jQuery.

### Front-end developer at Teachent Startup Feb 2018 - Jun 2018





- Designed webpages by HTML, CSS, and JavaScript at Teachent, which was an application of a friendly startup of our own in a group of five.

## ACADEMIC PROJECTS

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### Computer Vision Course

*Instructor: Dr. Mohammad Reza Mohammadi*




- Car Plate Detection 
  - Trained multiple deep CNN models to classify images that contain car plates.
  - Implemented relatively complex deep models using Keras.
  - The best project of the class both in terms of execution time and F1-score
- Deep Neural Network 
  - Trained ResNet50 model to classify the Stanford Car dataset images using Keras, and Augmented data with data generator to reduce overfitting.
- Convolutional Neural Network 
  - Designed a CNN model, which includes an Inception module with dimension reduction, using Keras to classify the Fashion MNIST dataset images.
- Image Classification via shape, texture, and color 
  - Coded the HOG and LBP, which are image feature extractors, using OpenCV to classify the MNIST dataset images by SVM classifier.

### Computational Intelligence Course

*Instructor: Dr. Nasser Mozayani*




- Inverted Pendulum 
  - Solved Inverted Pendulum using Fuzzy Logics (also using RL in Gym env).
- Image Classification 
  - Designed a Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP) model to classify the Hoda dataset images, which

like MNIST dataset but in Persian, using Numpy and Keras.

- Hopfield Network 
  - Implemented a noise-robust model using Hopfield Network for image detection.
- Radial Basis Function 
  - Coded the function approximation using RBF (Radial Basis Function) and MLP.
- Self-Organizing Feature Map 
  - Trained a Kohonen's Self-Organizing Feature Map (SOFM), which can map a dataset of 3-Dimensional data into a 2-Dimensional space.




### Artificial Intelligence Course

*Instructor: Dr. Mohammad Taher Pilevar*

- News Classification 
  - Trained the Naïve Bayse and MLP models that classify news documents into two classes: political news and sport one.
- Reinforcement Learning 
  - Implemented Reinforcement Learning in games like *WaterWorld* or *PixelCopter*.
- AI Pacman Game 
  - Solved Pacman practical Projects of Berkeley University in the most of AI outlines such as Search Problems, Informed Search, CSP, Adversarial Search, Markov Decision Process, etc.

### Signal Processing Course

*Instructor: Dr. Mohammad Reza Mohammadi*

- Digital Radio 
  - Designed a digital radio, which can detect radio channels and play them using Signal Processing.
- Dual-Tone Multi-Frequency 
  - Implemented a Dual-Tone Multi-Frequency (DTMF) signaling that each of the 12 keys on the phone sends a specific signal when clicked.
- Yes-No Signal Detection 
  - Implemented the Yes-No signal detection that get the voice of Yes or No and detect its signal.

## SKILLS

Programming Languages	<i>Proficient at:</i> Python, Java, C++, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, Bash <i>Familiar with:</i> C, Kotlin, Verilog, Assembly
Libraries	TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch, Numpy, Pandas, Scikit, NLTK, OpenCV, Hazm, HuggingFace, Matplotlib, React, Bootstrap
Tools	Git, Google Colab, Jupyter, PyCharm, Docker, Jira, Trello
Others	Linux, Mac OSX, PostgreSQL, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, UML, Visual Paradigm, scipy.io
Language Skills	Persian: Native English: TOEFL iBT: Will be taken on October 2022

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- Ranked within the top 20% of 80 undergraduate students in the Department of Computer Engineering, Iran University of Science and Technology. 2021
- Ranked **2nd** among all internship posters in the Department of Computer Engineering. 2020
- Selected as a member of Scientific Association of Computer Engineering Department. 2018 - 2019
- Granted **tuition scholarship** for the top 4<sup>th</sup> Iranian Engineering Universities. 2016
- Ranked within the **top 0.1%** of the candidates in the "Iranian University Entrance Exam" for bachelor's degree. 2016

## ONLINE COURSES

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### DeepLearning.AI

All Grade Achieved: 100%

- Convolutional Neural Networks in TensorFlow [[Certificate](#)] Oct 2020
- Introduction to TensorFlow for AI, Machine Learning, and Deep Learning [[Certificate](#)] Oct 2020
- Natural Language Processing in TensorFlow [[Certificate](#)] Oct 2020
- Deep Learning Specialization [[Certificate](#)] Sep 2020
- Sequence Model [[Certificate](#)] Sep 2020
- Convolutional Neural Networks [[Certificate](#)] Aug 2020
- Structuring Machine Learning Projects [[Certificate](#)] Aug 2020
- Improving Deep Neural Networks: Hyperparameter tuning, Regularization and Optimization [[Certificate](#)] Aug 2020
- Neural Networks and Deep Learning [[Certificate](#)] Jun 2020

### Coursera

Grade Achieved: 100%

- Deep Learning with PyTorch : Neural Style Transfer [[Certificate](#)] Apr 2022
- Deep Learning with PyTorch : Generative Adversarial Network [[Certificate](#)] Feb 2022
- Deep Learning with PyTorch : Image Segmentation [[Certificate](#)] Feb 2022
- Computer Vision - Image Basics with OpenCV and Python [[Certificate](#)] Sep 2020

### Elsevier

Grade Achieved: 100%

- Becoming a peer reviewer [[Certificate](#)] Apr 2022
- Certified Peer Reviewer Course [[Certificate](#)] Jun 2022

## SELECTED COURSES

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| • Computer Vision                   | A <sup>+</sup> | • Signals and Systems                | A |
| • Algorithm Analysis and Design     | A <sup>+</sup> | • System Analysis and Design         | A |
| • Database Design                   | A <sup>+</sup> | • Software Engineering               | A |
| • Embedded Systems and IoT          | A <sup>+</sup> | • Engineering Mathematics            | A |
| • Object-oriented Design of Systems | A <sup>+</sup> | • Discrete Mathematics               | A |
| • Fundamentals of Compiler Design   | A <sup>+</sup> | • Basics Programming                 | A |
| • Data Transmission                 | A <sup>+</sup> | • Computer Network Security          | A |
| • Electrical Circuits               | A <sup>+</sup> | • Microprocessor & Assembly Language | A |
| • Computer Game Design              | A <sup>+</sup> | • Computer Design of Digital Systems | A |

## REFERENCES

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Available Upon Request